

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE: RUBBER CHEMICALS  
ANTITRUST LITIGATION,

No. C04-1648 MMC (BZ)  
(Lead Case)

**AMENDED INITIAL  
DISCOVERY ORDER**

All discovery in this matter has been referred to United States Magistrate Judge Bernard Zimmerman.

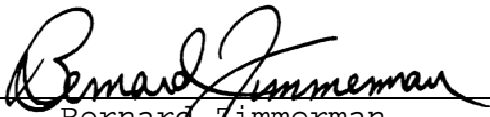
In the event a discovery dispute arises, the parties and non-parties shall meet in person or, if counsel are outside the Bay Area, by telephone and make a good faith effort to resolve their dispute. Exchanging letters or telephone messages about the dispute is insufficient. The Court will not read subsequent positioning letters; parties and non-parties shall instead make a contemporaneous record of their meeting using a tape recorder or a court reporter.

In the event they cannot resolve their dispute, the

1 parties or non-parties must participate in a telephone  
2 conference with the Court **before** filing any discovery motions  
3 or other papers. The party seeking discovery shall request a  
4 conference in a letter **filed electronically** not exceeding two  
5 pages (with no attachments) which briefly explains the nature  
6 of the action and the issues in dispute. Other parties or  
7 non-parties shall reply in similar fashion within two days of  
8 receiving the letter requesting the conference. The Court  
9 will then schedule a conference.

10 After the conference with the Court, if filing papers is  
11 deemed necessary, they should be filed **electronically** with the  
12 Clerk's Office, with **one hard copy delivered directly to**  
13 **Magistrate Judge Zimmerman's Chambers (Room 15-6688).**

14 Dated: April 16, 2008

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16 Bernard Zimmerman  
United States Magistrate Judge

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